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One \$50 Hamster Iron Pedal Wagon

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One \$25 Man's Overcoat

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One \$12 Large Size, Velvet, Uphol

stered Rocker, from B. Lidd

ell, Court House Block

One \$20 Youth's Overcoat

One \$11 Illinois Clothes Washer,

manufactured by Boyd, Br

iden & Co

One \$15 Pants made to order.

One \$15 Boy's Suit.

One \$10 Collared Toilet Set, in case,

from Henry Smith, Druggist.

One \$15 Sateen Zinc Trench.

One \$15 Boy's Overcoat.

One \$10 Morocco Valise.

One Harrow Cheek Row.

One Barrel Flour, from D. S. Shella

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One No. 38 Champion Monitor Cook

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mund, No. 13 Water Street, (2000

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Long experience has satisfied us of the necessity in Decatur for

AN EXCLUSIVELY PAINT AND ARTIST'S STORE,

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We are a family owned and operated business, and have been in the business for over twenty years. We have a large and complete stock of all the latest and most popular styles of paint, oil, water, and mineral colors, and are prepared to do all kinds of painting, including house painting, sign painting, and painting of all kinds of wood and metal. We are also a family owned and operated business, and have been in the business for over twenty years. We have a large and complete stock of all the latest and most popular styles of paint, oil, water, and mineral colors, and are prepared to do all kinds of painting, including house painting, sign painting, and painting of all kinds of wood and metal.

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(Successors to Randolph & Kaufman.)

ALL PARTIES WISHING TO

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Will do well by calling on the above, for they have a larger list than ever before to select from, and they will be pleased to show parties wishing to buy or exchange; also if you want your property insured. They represent some of the best insurance companies.

Office at the old place, over Nowell & Bros' grocery, Water street, Decatur, Illinois.

April 15, 1884

RANDOLPH & GHER.**GEO. W. DAVIDSON****THE****Blue Ribbon****MACHINE.****NEW HOME,****DAVIS,**

AND OTHER SEWING MACHINES.

TEMPLE OF MUSIC, 15 MRS

CHART STREET,

DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

CATARRH ELY'S**CREAM BALM****CREAM BALM****CURED****Gold in the Head****IS NOT A****HAY-FEVER****A Thorough Treatment Will Cure!****Unusually for COLD IN THE HEAD,****CHAS. LAUX, Proprietor,**

North side of the Old Square, Decatur,

A RARE OPPORTUNITY**A BUSINESS INVESTMENT**

The subscriber having decided to retire from

The Real Estate Agency and

Title Abstract Business

NOW OFFER

FOR SALE

THEIR VALUABLE BOOKS OF

ABSTRACTS OF TITLES.

Comprising the Abstracts proper of the Deed

and Mortgage Records, Court Records, Court

Orders, and all other records of the County of

Macon, Illinois, from 1818 to the present time.

These books present, in a compact and complete

manner, a full and complete history of the

county, and are of great value to all who are

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The Daily Republican.*Globe-Dem.*: The intention of the

Chicago saloon-keepers to resist the

Harper high license law will now be

relinquished. A matter of a few

hundred dollars on license doesn't

count for anything since it has been

decided that the Democratic Con

vention will be held in that city.

The last volume of the census re

port contains the most elaborate and

valuable statistics of railroads ever

gathered by any country in the world.

The cost of all the railroads of the

country and their equipments is put

at something over \$4,500,000,000;

their aggregate funded debt reaches

\$2,300,000,000, or as much as the

total interest-bearing national debt

and the municipal debt of the country

combined; and their income is

\$800,000,000 per year, of which

\$327,000,000 goes for expenses and

\$131,000,000 to the profit account.

These roads are owned by 300,000

persons, a much larger number than

is generally supposed. The number

of employees is 410,000.

Lively Dakota.

Pittsburg Dispatch.

Dakota is almost ready for admis

sion into the Union. Her politicians

are calling each other liars, the gov

ernor has been charged with bribery,

two Episcopal dioceses have been or

gated, Henry Villard has smashed to

pieces, and the snow is seven feet on

a dead level.

The Fish Laws.

The organization of the "Macon

County Game Protection Club" gives

now interest to the laws in force for

the preservation of fish in this State.

The following are the statutes re

ferred to, which the new organiza

tion proposes to strictly enforce

APPROVED MAY 13, 1879.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the

people of the State of Illinois repre

sented in the General Assembly, That

it shall be unlawful for any

person or persons to catch or kill

any fish of the species commonly

called, black, green, silver or white

bass, pike, pickerel, salmon, huck

leek salmon, chuck salmon, cropp

er or grass bass, sun fish or sun perch,

or other fish commonly known as game

fish, in or upon any of the rivers,

creeks, streams, ponds, lakes, sloughs,

bayous or other water courses wholly

within or running through the State

of Illinois, with any seine, net, weir,

or other device, other than with hook

and line, from the fifteenth day of

February to the fifteenth day of

June, in each and every year.

Section 2. That it shall be unla

wful for any person or persons at any

time to catch or kill any fish in or

upon any of the creeks, streams,

ponds, lakes, sloughs, bayous, or

other water courses within the juris

diction of the State of Illinois, by

the use of lime, acid, or any medical

or chemical compound or explosive.

APPROVED MAY 13, 1879.

Section 1. That no person shall

place, erect, or cause to be placed

or erected any dam, weir, net, weir,

fish dam, or other obstruction, in or

across any of the rivers, creeks,

streams, ponds, lakes, sloughs,

bayous or other water courses wholly

within this state, in such manner as

shall hinder or obstruct the free pas

sage of fish up or down or through

such waters or water courses; and

that from and after the adoption of

this act it shall be unlawful for any

Attention, Gentlemen!

A new and Elegant Line of

SPRING OVERCOATS

— AT —

Popular Prices!

JUST RECEIVED AT

B. STINE'S,

— THE —

"BOSS CLOTHIER."

E. C. REESE,

GENERAL AGENT

Wholesale and Retail Dealer in

GUNS, REVOLVERS,

Caps, Cartridges,

Wads, Shells,

Safety Fuse,

Miners' Squibs,

And a full line of

SPORTING GOODS.

We carry a large and complete stock of

AUSTIN'S CELEBRATED MINING AND**SPORTING POWDER.**

To AUSTIN'S CLUB SPORTING POWDER

and you will have no other.

Several reasons why the

Champion Roller Skate

is Superior to All Others

1st. It is the most durable and simplest in construction.

2nd. It is the lightest and easiest running.

3rd. It is the nicest looking and is made of the best material.

4th. It has the easiest and most perfect lateral motion.

5th. It has two rubber springs and a double or equal pressure on both

of them at the same time, and which no other skate in the world has.

6th. It is the only skate having the rubber springs boxed in by metallic

side-flanges.

7th. When not in use there is no strain or pressure on the rubber

springs, making them last longer than on any other skate.

8th. It is the only skate made having a vertical tongue between the rub

ber springs by which a double or equal pressure is secured and the rubber

kept in spongy condition at all times.

9th. The rubber springs can be changed without removing the skate

from the foot.

10th. The bearwood wheels have metal boxing, making them light run

ning and durable.

11th. The foot-boards are ebonized and will not wear or scale off.

12th. It is the most practical Rink Skate in America, and is acknowl

edged by experts to be the CHAMPION ROLLER SKATE OF THE

WORLD. Special prices for the dozen or on job lots.

13th. The Largest Stock and Best Variety of GUNS in the city.

E. C. REESE,

257 North Main St., Decatur, Ill.

WE WILL OFFER

During January an unusually fine line of Ladies' and Gents' Gold Watches!

SILVER WATCHES

We would call your attention to the grade of Goods we keep and the thoroughly RELIABLE MANNER in which we do business. You cannot buy a Watch of us that is "Too Cheap" for good business.

OTTO E. CURTIS & CO.,

Leading Jewelers.

Decatur, Jan. 3, 1881 d&wtf

Order Your Bread

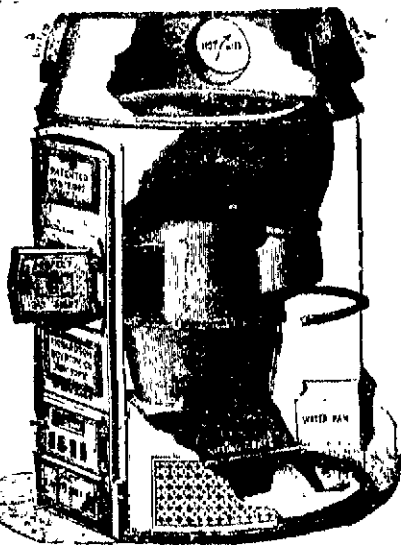
PIES AND CAKES,
OF
BREWER.

Special attention paid to fine ORNAMENTED WEDDING CAKES.

BREWER, the BAKER,
211 North Main-St., Decatur, Ill.

Jan. 17, 1881 d&w

FURNACES! FURNACES!



We have employed a practical furnace man from Chicago, and taken the Agency for the

"BOYNTON"
FURNACE,

which is acknowledged to be the BEST IN THE MARKET.

Parties thinking of building will do well to get our figures on a FIRST CLASS WARRANTED FURNACE, or if your OLD ONE NEEDS OVERHAULING, come and have it done right by a man who knows how.

We are also Agents for the old reliable

BALTIMORE HEATER

A FULL LINE OF

HARDWARE, MANTELS, GRATES, &c.

Good Goods at Bottom Figures.

Ferguson & Dillehunt,
125 North Water Street

Feb. 4, 1881 d&wtf

Our Cheap Sale

Embroideries and White Goods
Continues Until Further Notice.

And in addition we have placed on sale this m. n., a large lot of

LADIES' AND MISSES' FELT HATS AT 25 cts.
Former price \$1.00.

Also a large and better lot at 50c, former price \$1.25 to \$2.00. We also put on sale 10 dozen Children's Woolen Stockings, assorted, at 25c a pair, worth from 40 to 50 cents.

Also a large lot of Ladies' and Misses' Hosiery, choice 40c, worth 50 to 75c. Great Bargains and just the kind for this weather. Come and get them.

S. G. HATCH & BRO.,
143 East Main St. Powers' Block.

Feb. 5—d&wtf

The Daily Republican.

TERMS.
Per week, payable to Carrier, 10 Cts.
One year, in advance, \$5.00
Three Months, " 1.50



The above out represents the celebrated "Novelty" Baby Carriage, for sale ONLY by
E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & CO.
Feb. 20 - d&w

TUESDAY EVENING, FEB. 20, 1881

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Under further notice our price on 1887 Rogers Bros. knives is \$2.50 a dozen, or \$1.25 a set. E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.
BETTER TO-NIGHT.

First will begin to-morrow.
The tabernacle was filled back to the doors last night.

C. E. DAVIS as "Uncle Alvin" Saturday night.

Sen J. W. Taylor, Jr., at his shop, south side city park, and got reliable harness.

Day stove wood at McClelland's 121st
Sam Lee, 130 North Water street—machine ironed shirts, 10 cents, collars 3 cents, cuffs 5 cents per pair. d&w 11-11

F. D. GARDNER has the best grades of hard coal.
BETTER TO-NIGHT.

The New Opera Assembly Dance will be held to-morrow evening, instead of Thursday night.

Hard and Soft Coal at Martin's.
nov12-dft

There can be no doubt that the Chicago nominee, whoever he may be, will be elected.

San Warren & Duff's advertisement on the first page of this paper. dft

On Sunday Seldon, Kineman, Palmer and the remainder of the jolly Wabash telegraphers partook of a kingy champagne dinner at the New Downing hotel, and the same evening they repeated the feat at the St. Nicholas.

Order your hard coal from F. D. Caldwell, P. O. Block. Telephone 255.
oct 17 dft

Spurn your money with Peter Ulrich and he will give you excellent groceries and the celebrated No. 4 coffee.

Deal with Tuller & Parke and get plenty of good corn and other stock feed.

To-day you can load of household goods and about as many people started for Nubukara, over the Poria, Decatur & Evansville Railway.

Paints, strolling gallery, opposite post office.
BETTER TO-NIGHT.

ASSISTANT BAKER has filed his official bond in the sum of nearly \$41,000, and has been given possession of the John T. Wynn stock of clothing.

Smoke only Schneider's excellent nicks of Bohemian cigars, and you will be happy all day long.

GRANITE LUMBER COAL, bright and clean, at
McClelland's. 121st

The "Queen's Lace Handkerchief" opens will not be given in Decatur by the Corinne company. The Patterson New York Opera Co., No. 1, including Louise Seale, a fine orchestra and 40 people, will give it on Thursday, March 13.

C. B. DUNCAN will give you real bargains in Haines Bros. pianos and other excellent musical instruments. Learn his prices and terms.

BETTER TO-NIGHT.

We are requested to correct an erroneous statement made by a morning paper. Goodman's band did not play at the tabernacle skating carnival Saturday night. It was the G. A. R. band that furnished the music.

Have you caught? Sleepless nights need no longer trouble you. The use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral after retiring, will soothe the cough to quiet, allay the inflammation, and allow the needed repose. It will, moreover, speedily heal the pulmonary organs, and give you health.

Shop at Hinkle & Patterson's new grocery store south of the KREWEKATERS and get your table supplies, delivered at your dwelling free of charge.

BETTER TO-NIGHT.

An electric lamp was hung up to-day at Statu street, south side of the park, the expense to be paid by the business men in that vicinity. This will make the 33d lamp now in use in Decatur. If any more lamps are hung up the company will have to secure more dynamos and more power.

BETTER TO-NIGHT.

SHOW the best entered goods at Niedermeyer's grocery store on the mound.

A new idea embraced in the City of Balm. Catarrh is cured by causing discharge and cleansing, not by drying up. The application is easy and agreeable. Price 50 cents.

Apply into nostrils with the finger.

I was troubled with chronic Catarrh and catarrh in my hand, was very deaf at times, and discharge from my ears, and was unable to breathe through my nose. Before the second bottle of Ely's Cream Balm was exhausted I was cured, and to-day enjoy sound health. C. J. COOPER, 323 Chestnut St., Field Manager Philadelphia Pub. House.

We recommend Ely's Cream Balm where a cure for Catarrh is called for, and consider that we are doing the public a favor by making its virtues known to those afflicted with this loathsome disease for which it is in most instances a perfect cure. Pack Bros., Druggists, Grand Rapids, Mich. 123-dec4w2

Contributions of every description, from town and country, solicited at the headquarters of the W O T U reading room and dining hall, South Water street. 714-dft

\$3.00 shows for \$2.50 at J. W. Baker's.
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That Frozen Baby.
The mystery surrounding the birth of Miss Alice Gansway's baby, near Haristown two weeks ago, is still causing more or less talk, and will necessitate official investigation. The child was born in the night and thrown over a fence where it was found frozen solid. Dr. J. H. Rice, of Nauvoo, who was called to attend the young woman after the birth, was in Decatur yesterday in consultation with State's Attorney Johns, who has been making searching inquiries into the case since the alleged facts were detailed in the newspapers. It was the expressed belief of Dr. Rice that the child was born dead, and it is quite likely that he will insist on an examination and examination of the body to verify his opinion, so that no possible blame can be attached to him. The mother is doing well. The matter will be thoroughly investigated in a few days.

The Davis Diamonds.
Charles E. Davis who is to appear Saturday night in his funny character, "Alvin Joslin," is a great admirer of diamonds, and probably possesses more of these precious stones than any other person in the country. He is said to be worth \$250,000, which he made out of his play. He has purchased \$10,000 worth of diamonds since he was in Rome last season, including an elegant Masonic cross, a pair of ear-rings and pair of bracelets.

Temperance Talk.
The tabernacle was crowded last night to hear stirring temperance addresses delivered by Mrs. Lucy Simpson, the colored orator of Detroit, Mich., and Bro. John Hoofstetter. The former spoke for an hour and aroused considerable enthusiasm. She will speak again to-night. "Bro Jake" who was fresh from a campaign in Tennessee where he charged 10 cents admission each evening, closed the speech making, by delivering one of his impassioned appeals to the boys, and he stirred 'em up clear back to the doors. There was good music by the choir, and Capt. Post presented the speakers.

Just Before Lent.
An interesting double wedding took place at St. Patrick's church this morning. Father Meekis officiated, and quite a number of people witnessed the marriage. The contracting parties were Mr. Peter Melchior and Miss Mary E. Nelson; and Mr. Thomas Lynch and Miss Catherine Nally, all of Decatur. Mr. Melchior is the successor of John Zolot, in the butcher business on North Water street.

PERSONAL MENTION

James Clarkson has the mumps.

Miss Lou Martin is on the sick list.

Miss Agnes Jordan, of Lincoln, is visiting Mrs. J. O. McKeay.

J. P. Haud and family left for Clinton this afternoon on a visit.

Charles Barclay, formerly a Wabash employe in Decatur, is dangerously ill at Springfield.

Gen. Oglesby, who arrived in Decatur last night from Lansing, will deliver a stirring address at Oakland to-night.

Mrs. J. E. Boring will leave for San Antonio, Texas to-morrow, accompanied by a lady friend residing at St. Louis.

Miss Genevieve Bonadiman, of St. Louis, arrived in the city this noon. She will be the guest of Miss Corinne Mills until Saturday.

Dr. A. M. Miller, one of the democratic leaders at the Chicago convention and of this senatorial district, was in the city last night hobnobbing with the Bourbons.

Bro. Jake Hoofstetter, who shook 'em up at the tabernacle last night on temperance, looks as natural as ever. He has just finished a campaign in Tennessee.

Charles Strines was the artist who played the organ for the "Olio Musical" show at Mason's one night recently, and he did his best, though it seems his efforts were not appreciated by the Independent man.

B. O. McKeay makes a clever and polite enquirer.

John Ryder, an aged resident on North Church street, is lying dangerously ill. He was formerly a farmer in Champagnais county, came here three years ago, has a family, and owns some property in Decatur.

Robert J. Burdette, the *Handkerchief* man, who will deliver his famous lecture at the opera house to-night, arrived in the city this noon from Alton, and registered at the New Downing. A *Handkerchief* reporter paid his respects to Robert and found him in an excellent humor and well acquainted with the town.

Macdonald Independent. We understand that "P. J. Allison and family will remove to California providing they can dispose of their property in this city. Mr. Allison is an ex-actor from reclamation of the great western lands, and he has the boasted climate of California will free him from the malarial. Miss Mary Kynor arrived at home last Saturday morning from Cincinnati, where she has spent the winter pursuing her musical studies, and where she won several honors.

At Mr. Zion, yesterday, I. A. Bucking and E. S. McDonald crossed legal swords in a civil suit in which Woodson Smith and Eli Platt were plaintiffs and C. O. Platt & Co. and Anna Ombkin were defendants. It was an all-day trial, during which many speeches were made by the opposing counsel. The case went in favor of the plaintiffs.

The dwelling of Mr. Silas B. McClelland, at 434 West Mason street, in the third ward, was sold to-day to Mr. Stanton Atkins, of Lovington, the consideration being \$2,500. Mr. Atkins will make Decatur his future home, and will take possession of his property next week. We welcome him to Decatur, and hope his residence among us will be long and pleasant. He has always voted the Republican ticket.

By request of the members of the game protection club, organized last Saturday, we publish on another page to-day the existing game and fish laws, which should be read by all persons in the habit of fishing or hunting. The club is formed to see that laws intended to be enforced, and violators will do well to be more careful in future. The club means business.

In Justice Court's court this forenoon the case of The City of Decatur vs. Peter J. Lowe came up for trial. Mr. Lowe and Mrs. Lasey had some words and a little trouble about a gate, and the trial resulted in the conviction of Mr. Lowe, who was fined three dollars and costs.

R. J. BURDETTE, the Burlington *Handkerchief* man, will lecture in the opera house this evening. Subject: "Rise and Fall of the Mustache." Go and hear him. Gallery tickets 35 cents.

"Close Inspection."
Col. Talmadge and party, of the Wabash, whose presence in Decatur was noted in these columns last evening, made what the railroaders term a "close inspection" of the shops and round-house in this city; that is to say, they got off at the depot, walked over to the shops and went through the buildings on a slow walk, looking to the right and left as they went along. But it was evident that they were in something of a hurry, for they didn't lose any time, going straight from the round-house to the special train which had stopped for them at the Jasper street crossing near the coal shaft. What will come of this "close inspection" in Decatur is not known, as the Colonel took no one here into his confidence. All the Wabash shops and the train dispatchers' offices should be brought to Decatur from Springfield. This is the most desirable point on the Wabash in Illinois for the shops, and if Jay Gould & Co. are wise they will make the change which we learn has been under serious consideration for some years. Decatur is at the intersection of the main line, the Chicago and St. Louis divisions, and the White Heath branch, and certainly it would be a wise policy to have all repair and other work done here—a point which is easy of access from at least four important directions.

Decatur People Hurt.
A passenger train on the Hannibal & St. Joe road went through a temporary bridge at the Clariton river near Hannibal, in Missouri, on Saturday last, and quite a number of people were seriously injured. Among the unfortunate ones were Alexander Greenfield, of Friends Creek township, this county, who had both legs cut and an eye bruised; also Jacob Nelson, of Friends Creek, whose head was bruised. L. W. Stewart, of this county, had his hand cut and bruised. The treasurer of the road has settled with sixteen of the injured parties by giving them \$700.

The Sunday Fight.
M. W. Tinkler and Charles Cartmell, the former at the jail, and the latter at the Tinkler dwelling, are resting as comfortably as could be expected, considering the serious wounds they received at each other's hands in that bloody fight of Sunday afternoon. Cartmell, who was stabbed five times, all his wounds except one, are doing well, and in the opinion of Dr. Walston the serious cut will not prove fatal. As soon as he can he moved he will be arrested for assault to kill and homicide in the usual way. Tinkler is nursing his cuts and bruises at the jail, and for the present at least all is quiet at the north end of the second ward.

Lecture.
Dr. Walston reports Cartmell's condition at noon as unfavorable. He has a fever and his pulse is up to 112. The wound seems to be doing fairly well. Cartmell experiences some difficulty in breathing.

Criminal Chaps.
John Connors, arrested at Joliet for stealing a \$15 suit of clothing from a Decatur backshop, Charles J. Hoekery, appeared before Justice Lowry and waived an examination. His bail was fixed at \$500, and he was recommended to jail. In the same court J. O. Howe paid a fine of \$3.00 for drunkenness.

In Justice McGovern's court yesterday two plain cases, Tom and John Brady, were tried \$3 and costs each. Paid.

The "Masonic Reporter's" Fraud.
At the late state meeting of the State G. A. R. campmeeting in Decatur, it will be remembered, P. W. Wilcox, late chief numbering officer, was reported \$800 short in his accounts with the adjutant. Wilcox is to be tried by court-martial, beginning March 3, at Chicago, for various misdemeanors. Among other things, he is accused of malfeasance in the appropriation of the funds of the order to his own use. Hon. R. P. Crawford, of Rockford, will be judge advocate of the court-martial.

Street-ravaging chatter.
At Springfield the opponents of white cedar are of two classes, one preferring brick (it can be had in sufficient quantity) and the other red cedar, though for the same reason—both desiring a more durable material, believing that, in the end, it will be the most economical. They maintain that while cedar will decay in four to five years, and red cedar will rot down, will last from 20 to 30, and well-burned brick would be virtually imperishable. The white cedar advocates, on the other hand, claim that the brick cannot be burned at all, while the red cedar cannot be obtained in sufficient quantities to make any progress.

Some complaint is made by property owners about the way the telephone line men do their work. Some of the ornamental trees have been badly damaged by the men climbing them with their spiked boots, the spikes digging great holes in the trees. The attention of Aldermen Jack and Schroll has been called to the matter and probably some action will be taken. The citizens have their recourse in the courts, and probably a trial or two, with the accompanying decorations of fines, would have a good effect.

The Jersey electric light is a settled annex to Decatur, and it is giving admirable satisfaction. The business men could not and would not do without it, and the sooner the company increases its power and the number of dynamo, the better. There are now more applications for lights than the company can fill, owing to lack of power.

Ladies in a delicate condition find that they derive great benefit from Speer's port wine. It has become the most popular wine made for the use of aged and debilitated persons. It is also used as a medicinal wine. For sale by W. C. Armstrong. 23-d&w

"Our Elixir" was the subject discussed at the meeting of the newly formed Chautauquan Circle which met last evening at the residence of Elder Buck. The leader was Mr. N. E. Adams, at whose home the circle will meet next Monday night and talk about "The Ocean."

Ann Burke's White Pine Balsam has fine little signature of H. C. Burke on wrapper, and Burke's White Pine Balsam for Coughs and Colds blown in the bottle. None other is genuine.

Burke's Balsam for coughs and colds. 23-d&w

Aver's Sarsaparilla is the best medicine for every one in the spring. Emigrants and travelers will find it an essential cure for the eruptions, boils, pimples, eczema, etc., that break out on the skin—the effect of disorder in the blood—caused by sea diet and life on board ship.

Officer Condon who had the sharp talk with Tom Russell Friday evening about the robbery of the Dunkard on the Wabash passenger train, objects to the versions given by the local papers as to his connection with the matter. He insists that he was justified in the course he pursued in his talk with Russell, because the "detective" acted queerly and could give no connected account of the robbery, and because although he claimed to be "on to the racket" of the three strangers at the depot, he failed to inform either Capt. Hewes or Officers Acker and Condon who were then on the depot platform. And then again, Condon insists that he acted properly, inasmuch as Russell could give no satisfactory description of the men whom he had been watching on the platform and on the train. He admits that he threatened to put Russell in jail because he talked saucy. However, the Dunkard was robbed of \$15, a \$30 note and a Wabash pass, and to date the guilty parties are at large.

The Neill Morris Entertainment.
The pleasantly appointed audience room of the Universalist church, last evening, was comfortably filled by a critical audience that assembled to witness what proved to be an excellent entertainment given by the child wonder, Little Nellie Morris, of Charleston, Ill., assisted by the Misses Lulu and Gracie Fielder, of this city. The exercises were directed by the pastor, Mrs. S. F. Gibb, and were interspersed with fine musical selections by the choir, led by D. L. Dunn. Miss Morris, who is a graceful girl only 11 years old, displayed remarkable ability as a reader and sketch artist for one of her limited years, and her versatility was shown in each selection. Her manner is graceful, her voice under perfect control, and in every respect she is the queen among children of her age as a dramatic reader. The Misses Fielder also did splendidly, as they always do. At the close of the entertainment the ladies of the church served excellent refreshments.

Sermon by Rev. Walter.
"THE FIFTY OF LUTHER, THE HEROIC REFORMER."

The above subject engaged the attention of the congregation and pastor at the English Lutheran church Sunday evening, and was listened to with great attention by the audience and pronounced as a most excellent production. We give a few extracts. Rev. Walter said: "No trait in Luther's character was more prominent than his piety. No one doubts his learning; no one hesitates to ascribe to him great courage. He had a sledge-hammer hand and it hit hard. The blows he inflicted reverberated in thunder echoes throughout the world. But he was not more distinguished for these than by his piety. Before him he was a consistent, habitual, and not an *epidemic*, piety. He was pious all his life long. Piety was inseparable from his character. It was his distinguishing trait. It was his life. It pervaded all his feeling, thinking, being. He was a wholly, uniformly, thoroughly pious man."

Teachers' Meeting.
The regular meeting for the month of March will be held next Saturday at 1:15 p. m. A good programme will be followed and all are invited. Secretary.

M. B. Curtis.
The distinguished comedian will make his second appearance in this city on Thursday evening, March 6th, in the great comedy success, "Sam" of Pose, the Commercial Drummer." It is, perhaps, superfluous to praise this comedy, as it has been seen by many persons in this city, but it ought to be said that its production here will be rendered notable in several ways. The settings will all be new and appropriate, while the store scene will be something unexcelled in realism and splendor. Mr. M. B. Curtis, a host in himself, will be assisted by a company of rare excellence, and every thing will be done to present this very popular comedy in a style never before approached. An entertainment is insured in consequence of these preparations that cannot fail to please the vast audience that will doubtless attend. Several features not introduced when Curtis was here last season will be given this trip, among which will be the drummer's illness scene, which will require a half hour's time to make up and properly adjust.

The Appellate Court has appointed Hon. T. W. McNeely, of Peoria; C. E. Epler, of Quincy, and John Y. Lillard, of Bloomington, a board of examiners to conduct the examinations of applicants for license to practice law in this State, at the May term of the Appellate Court in this city. Decatur usually furnishes one or more applicants for the occasional examinations.

A Card.
To that kind, thoughtful and generous friend who sent the Ladies Lunch Room fund ten dollars yesterday, the W. C. T. U. wish in this publication to say "thank you." M. M. SARGENT, Sec'y.

Dining Hall.
The W. C. T. U. are now sitting in their new reading room and dining hall, on South Water street. We are thankful to the public for their patronage, solicit a continuance of the same and hope to have many friends, who will aid us in our new enterprise. We will gratefully receive contributions in the way of books, periodicals, etc., for our reading room, also furniture, useful and ornamental, groceries and produce of every description. Will have a grand opening, the date not being now arranged, will be made public soon. Call and see us. THE LADIES.

14-dft.
BETTER. We are pleased to announce to announce to the citizens of Decatur that by calling at the old and reliable stand of Abel and Locke that you will be delighted to see the new elegant patterns in Spring Carcass, Wall Paper, Window Shades and Lace Curtains. 25-d2

We are constantly receiving the Latest Shapes in Soft and Hard Hats. Henry, the French Cutter.

Just received new piece goods, latest patterns, at Henry's.

\$2.50 shows for \$2.00 at J. W. Baker's. oct3dft

Buy your hard coal at Martin's. oct3dft

NEW YORK MARKET.
New York, Feb. 26.
WHEAT—\$1.08 March; \$1.04 April.
\$1.11 May.
CORN—\$0.38 Mar; \$0.39 Apr; \$0.40 May.
\$0.42—\$0.43 Mar; \$0.44 Apr; \$0.45 May.

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Will dispose of Fall and Winter Goods from now until the 20th of February at greatly Reduced Prices.

Farmers and Mechanics, as well as the people generally, can profit by the Reduction.

Hosiery, Gloves, Underwear, Cloaks Shawls, Flannels, Blankets, Winter Dress Goods, Bleached and Brown Muslins, will show a marked difference in favor of the purchaser.

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Big Pat Oysters.
Just received from New York also in the future we have the famous "Electric Light," at Millers Lunch Room and Restaurant. 118-dft

Caldwell can furnish you Decatur coal on short notice. Telephone 254. oct7dft

Boys' flannel waists at Stone's. 11

Go to Wingate's Lamp Store and buy one of those Steam Warming Machines, if you want to see the dirt roll out of your clothes without a particle of rubbing. 121-dft

H. C. BRADSHAW. We have used your White Pine Balsam in our family for months, and it works like a charm; is the best remedy for coughs and colds I have ever seen. This is the uniform testimony of all my friends who have tried it. (Rev. J. P. Brown, Danville, Ill. 19-d&w

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